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News

Livestreaming from Swains Island

There is already a dedicated DX-World <u>page</u> set up for W8S Swains, and the official <u>website</u> too, but let's also make their livestreaming video link more visible. Good work team in getting this set up! Here's the <u>url</u> for the streams.



RSGB Convention Livestream

We have just launched news of our RSGB 2023 Convention livestream and we'd be grateful if you would share this with your readers. We know that radio amateurs across the world watch our livestream events and we want to ensure that no-one misses out! We are asking radio amateurs to register this year so it is important that people know that in advance. https://www.dx-world.net/rsgb-convention-livestream/

4W8X Timor-Leste -update

Highlighting today: 4W8X in Digital Modes (RTTY, FT4, FT8)

Most of the 4W8X operators are focused on the classic modes CW and SSB, with RTTY ranking #3. In RTTY you will find us on typical frequencies. We'll also take part in the WAEDC RTTY Contest on November 11-12, 2023. When the RTTY pile-up grows too big, we'll operate SPLIT (!) https://www.dx-world.net/4w8x-timor-leste/

TO8FH Mayotte -update October 10

After a 12 hours journey, the team arrived this morning on Petite-Terre island where Mayotte airport is located. After joining Grande-Terre island with ferryboat, we arrived at our QTH in the morning, photos will be availablee soon. We installed several antennas this afternoon in order to start this evening on the high bands and 40m but we have a lot of HF returns. We will have to resolve this problem tomorrow and continue to install the low band antennas. QO-100 activity will not start until Saturday after the arrival of HB9GWJ. Stay tuned!

https://www.dx-world.net/to8fh-mayotte/

TX6D French Polynesia -update

Team reach over 52K QSOs. QRV for 3 more days.



T2C Tuvalu -update October 12

Approaching 20K QSOs, the team have now erected the 80 & 160m verticals. Both are at 18m height and they will be QRV on these bands tonight (local time). Top view of the T2C QTH.



On the scene...ZD9W Tristan da Cunha by Yuris YL2GM



'ZD9W shack is in the kindergarten building which is on the edge of the village. Kindergarten has 5 children, 3 employees. Yuris has been given a room where he lives. Most antennas are installed by now, and the routine operation can start. Next week he will install also 6m band yagi. He has tried to put BOG antenna to improve signal reception on low bands, but it wasn't very effective, probably due to the volcanic soil on the island. There is about 5-10 cm of soil followed by volcanic rock. Yuris initially had issues with installing 3luminium guy wire supports which he had with him. The owner of the building gave him iron rods, which could penetrate the rock beneath. Yesterday first 70 CW QSOs on 160m band were done. Managed to get in the log the fellow HAM from his own home town. Also EY8MM got his #319 new DXCC on 160m band in the log. Will continue to operate on the low bands in the coming days too. The propagation is fantastic. Noise floor is low, especially on the higher bands.'

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This week on air

This can change daily, please visit https://www.dx-world.net/ for updates.

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

V7, MARSHALL ISL October 3-15 (call pending)

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

4W, TIMOR LESTE Satoshi, JH2EUV is active during his spare time until October 13. Operation from 80 to 6 meter and also in use is a dipole for 15m/40m installed on the roof of his QTH. Satoshi will operate throughout his stay during spare time, but stresses he does have difficulty with TVI on some bands, the same as he had before. QSL via LoTW.

5W, SAMOA Livio 9A7Y, Mladen 9A2NA, Borut S50B and Rolando 9A3MR are active as 5W0LM until October 14. Operation from 1.8 to 50 Mhz using CW, SSB and FT8. QTH is Malololelei near Apia. OSL via 9A3MR and LoTW.

5X, UGANDA Anders, SM0HPL is once again operating as 5X7W until October 23. Operation with 5W and a vertical. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. https://clublog.org/livestream/5x7w

6W, SENEGAL Elvira, IV3FSG is once again active as 6W/call until October 16. QRV during her spare time using SSB and digi. QSL via OQRS Club Log, or via IK2DUW direct.

E5, NORTH COOK ISL Janusz, SP9FIH is active as E51JAN from Manihiki (OC-014) until November 6. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. https://e5n.dxpedtions.org/

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM are operating as E6AM until October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpedition to Club Log. QSL

via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

FG, GUADELOUPE Look once again for Philippe F1DUZ as FG4KH between October 17 and November 7. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included. QSL via home call and LoTW. FH, MAYOTTE The F6KOP team is operating as T08FH until October 22. 12 Operators will be QRV from 160 to 6 meter and QO-100. https://to8fh.wordpress.com/

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Look for TX6D (DL7DF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7BO and DL7UFR) from Tahiti until October 15. Activity from 160 to 10 meter (60 meter also) using CW, SSB and digi. http://www.dl7df.de/fo/

On the scene...E6AM



FS, ST MARTIN Well known DXpeditioner Vlad UA4WHX is QRV for a few days as FS/AC4LN. Active from Marco's FS4WBS shack.

J2, **DJIBOUTI** Last couple of days, J28RC has again hit the airwaves having previously been active in August 2022. A reminder that J28RC is actually the "Riverine" Amateur Radio Club based at Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti and is operated by US service personnel when they are stationed there. QRV on 80-10m using various antennas. More here.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 is once again operating on HF using CW with some FT8. QRV until end October. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

JW, SVALBARD Look for LA6VM as JW6VM, LA7XK as JW7XK and LA9DL as JW9DL until October 16. They will participate in the Scandinavian Activity Contest as JW5X . Outside the contest JW6VM will operate mainly CW, JW7XK will be on satellites, while JW9DL will operate SSB and FT8. QSL via homecalls, JW5X via LA5X.

KH8, SWAINS ISL The W8S Dxpedition to Swains Island is QRV until October 17. The team (DJ9RR, DL2AMD, DL6JGN, KO8SCA, NG7M, PA2KW, PA3EWP, PA4WM, PA5X and PG5M) operates CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY on all bands with six stations from two operating sites. **T2, TUVALU** The German Dxpedition Team is operating as T2C until October 30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA and LoTW.

Dxpedition Tuvalu T2C - 2023 - Welcome (mydx.de)

T32, EAST KIRIBATI Ken, KH6QJ is once again operating as T32AZ from Crystal Lodge until October 24. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call. VP9, BERMUDA Hans DL1AOB and Dieter DL1AWD are now operating as VP9/calls. Hans is active on CW and Dieter on FT8. Length of stay is unknown. QSL via homecalls. XT, BURKINA FASO Harald, DF2WO is once again operating as XT2AW until October 26.

Activity on 10 and 6 meter so far using FT8, plans are to use all bands and all modes later. QSL via M00XO.

ZD9, **TRISTAN DA CUNHA** Yuris YL2GM is operating as ZD9W until October 22. A solo activity, you can find out full details including bands and modes by visiting the ZD9W page. DX-World will also regularly update on this activity once it begins.

On the scene...T32AN Christmas Island



Coming up soon

CEOY, EASTER ISL Luis CE2ML and Mathias CE2LR will be active as 3G0Y (CQWW SSB contest) and XR0Y between October 22-29. Operation on HF using mainly CW and SSB with some FT8. QSL for both calls via CE2ML.

CT9, MADEIRA Helmut, DF7EE will once again be QRV as CT9/call and CQ3W between October 22 and October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB is included as CQ3W. QSL for both calls via Club LoG.

H40, TEMOTU The Intrepid DX Group has released their next Dxpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between October 26 and November 9. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. <u>Temotu 2023 Dxpedition – Intrepid DX Group (intrepid-dx.com)</u>

JD1, OGASAWARA Look for JD1BQP from Chichijima between October 26 and November 2. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included, outside the contest active from 160 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call direct.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will once again be active as P40W between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest focus on WARC bands and 160 CW. QSL via LoTW or N2MM.

PZ, SURINAME Renato, PY8WW will be active as PZ5TW between October 25 and November 3. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

V6, MICRONESIA The Yokohama DX Club will be QRV as V6SX from Chuuk between October 23 and October 31. This to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the club's founding. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included as V6Y.

YJ, VANUATU A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila from October 26 until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME. https://www.dxobsessed.org/

YJ, VANUATU Chris, VK2YUS will once again be active as YJ0CA between October 22 and November 5. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Rich, NN3W will be operating as ZF2RD between October 24-31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included with a special call. Outside the contest Rich is found on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

ZL7, **CHATHAM ISL** Jacek, SP5EAQ is planning an one man operation as ZL7/call starting on October 20 for 2 weeks. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB only. Jacek mentions that any support from organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated as travel costs have reached an exorbitant level. He also asks you direct any questions to his email address listed on QRZ.com. The QTH in Waitangi (ZL7) has already been secured. http://chathams.sp7dgr.pl/

On the scene...5X3K Uganda



IOTA

This week on air

ASIA

AS-024 Kohama Isl Mitsuru, JE1HXZ/6 is active until October 13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, digi. QSL via bureau or LoTW.

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JI3DST is QRV until December 19. He will operate SSB and CW as JS6RRR, JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 and JR8YLY/6 as well as JI3DST/p, JJ5RBH/p and JR8YLY/p on FT8. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

EUROPE

Road trip by Chris OE6CUD

EU-033 Vesteralen

EU-046 Senja

EU-055 Vaeroy

EU-076 Lofoten

Look for Chris from these islands until end October. Operation as LA/call on HF and QO-100. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

EU-017 Eolie Isl Marcus, DJ4EL is active as ID9/call until October 14. QTH at the rare Filicudi and will do some hiking and SOTA activities. See the list below:

12.10. Filicudi & Salina SOTA

13.10. Vulcano & Vulcano SOTA

14.10. Vulcano

Flora & Fauna:

IFF-0440 - Alicudi

IFF-0441 - Filicudi

IFF-0446 - Vulcano

IFF-0677 - Salina

EU-067 Santorini Isl Frank, PH2M will be active in 'holiday-style' as SV8/call between October

13 and October 20. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using FT8. Log upload via Club Log. QSL via home call, LoTW.

EU-128 Fehmarn Isl Volker will be operating as DL1WH/p in 'holiday-style' between October 15 and October 29. QSL via bureau or direct.

OCEANIA

OC-042 Luzon Isl Mike, W6QT is active as DU3/call until end January 2024. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and digi.

OC-186 Maniawakan Isl Gianpi, IK1TTD is operating in 'holiday-style' as YB2/call until October 22. Operation mainly on 20 meter. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

http://www.ik1ttd.it/2023/09/it-is-time-to-travel-again.html

OC-195 Deal Isl Through his work, John VK1POR is now active from Deal island (Furneaux Islands) OC-195 until December 1. He uses an IC-7300 and prefers digimodes. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, QRZ.



Coming up soon

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Yuri, VE3DZ will be QRV as HQ9A between October 19 and October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest Yuri will be on HF all bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

OX, GREENLAND Look for the OX7A crew from Black Ridge, Kangerlussuaq between November 21 and November 28. Operation on HF using SSB, CW and digi. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included as OX7AM.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS A team with K4QPL, KU4V, NR4O and WK3T will be QRV as VP5M during the CQWW SSB contest at the end of this month. Before / after the contest look for them as VP5/homecalls. QSL via LoTW.

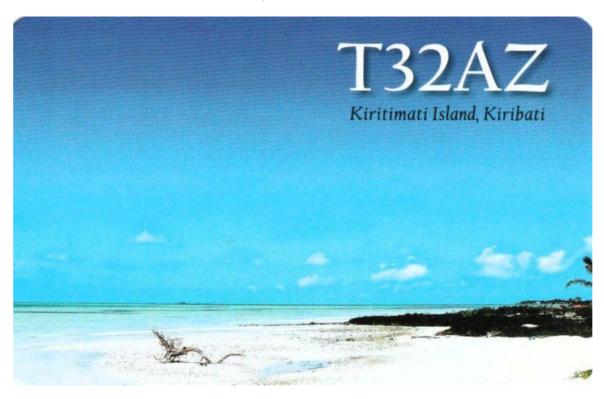
THE REMINDERS

3B8, MAURITIUS David, OK6DJ will be operating as 3B8/call between February 20 and February 27, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and FT8 using a vertical and dipole antenna. QSL via home call, LoTW, OQRS.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu, M0CFW (JK3GAD) will once again be active as 3B9KW during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Activity before/after contest (November 19 to December 1) as 3B9/M0CFW. QSL via LoTW.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Ivan, IK3ZAQ and Luca IV3JVJ will be QRV as 3B9AT between December 7 and January 6, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IV3JVJ, LoTW.

4W, TIMOR LESTE A large team of 20+ operators will be operating as 4W8X in November 2023. Operation 24/7 on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. Also EME 144Mhz, 432Mhz and 1296 Mhz. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included. 4W8X will have a 80m 4-Square (controller and cables sponsored by DXEngineering, many thanks). 160m will use a well-proven Titanex V160 Vertical with extensive Radials. Both antennas as close to the ocean as possible. For Receiving, we'll have two Beverages (~250m long) plus filtering/switching network to listen in four directions, independently on 160m and 80m: Europe (short path), North America (short path) Africa, same as North America (long path), South America, same as Europe (long path) 4W8X will also have two 40m 4-Squares and two 30m 4-Squares, TNX to DXEngineering. We'll not only have the equipment, we'll also have the right operators to make the best out of it. Low Band captain is Dietmar, DL3DXX. And we have quite some other Low Band freaks in the team.



5H, TANZANIA Maurizio, IK2GZU will be back as 5H3MB from November 8 until December 8. He will work as a volunteer at the Ikelu hospital. Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call bureau or direct, LoTW.

5N, NIGERIA The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N5N. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.

5X, UGANDA Thomas, DL7BO will be active as 5X7O from Kampala. Dates not yet known. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DJ6TF. More to follow. **7P, LESOTHO** The EIDXG team will after the success of 9N7EI, 7Q7EI, 5V7EI and V26EI now be operating as 7P8EI in early 2024. A team of 15 will be QRV from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via M00XO. More to follow.

8R, GUYANA "Four young ambitious DXers ranging in age from 20 to 25 years old" (namely Sven DJ4MX, Philipp DK6SP, Tomi HA8RT and Jamie M0SDV) will be active from Guyana during February 14-24, 2024 (callsign TBA). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. The Northern California DX Foundation will provide \$5,000 in financial support for the expedition, as they "want to encourage the next generation of DXpeditioners". NCDXF wants also "to let any planned DXpedition know that, if they request funding from NCDXF and we provide a grant, we will also underwrite the costs of a younger (ages 20-35) person/s on the trip". https://8r-2024.com/91 **9L, SIERRA LEONE** Shabu, M0KRI will be operating as 9L5M from November 23 until December

9L, SIERRA LEONE Shabu, M0KRI will be operating as 9L5M from November 23 until December 6. Activity from 80 to 6 meter, Q0100 SAT using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via G3SVK, LoTW and Club Log.

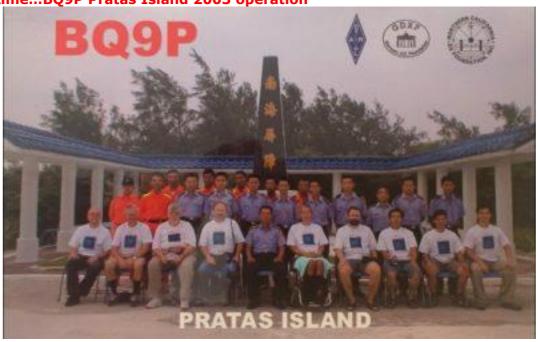
9U, BURUNDI Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

C6, BAHAMAS Jay, WA1JAY will be operating as call/C6A between November 5-10 from Paradise Island. Activity from 40 to 10 meter on FM, SATS, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW or Club Log. **CEOZ, JUAN FERNANDEZ** A team with Nick XQ1KZ, Pablo CE1KV, Willy XQ3SA, Willy XQ3SK,

Mike AB5EB, Ez HI3R, Otis NP4G, Zoli HA1AG, Trey N5KO and Marco CE1EW (Team Leader) will be operating as CB0ZA during February 13-20, 2024. Plans are to be QRV from the Juan Fernandez National Park CA-0022 from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB, digi and EME (6 and 2 meter). QSL via HA1AG. http://cb0za.com/

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.

Back in time...BQ9P Pratas Island 2003 operation



E6, NIUE Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF and 6 meter using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call. **FH, MAYOTTE** Marek, FH4VVK will be operating as TO4VV during March 29-31, April 5-7, April 12-14 and April 20-21, 2024. Operation using SSB and FT8. QSL direct, LoTW or Club Log. **FM, MARTINIQUE** FM5BH, FM5FJ, F5VHJ and M0MHQ (JA0JHQ)will be active from Martinique as TO5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29, 2023). QRV in M/2 Category. QSL: USA SASE via WA6WPG. Others via F5VHJ, LoTW, OQRS, REF Bureau.

FOO, AUSTRAL ISL Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX5G between March 25 and April 3, 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW. https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/

FOO, CLIPPERTON ISL The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. https://clip.pdxg.net/

FO/M MARQUESAS ISL A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active as TX7L from Hiva Oa Island during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via F6EXV or Club Log OQRS.

FS, ST MARTIN Philip, K0CD will be QRV s FS/call during the CQWW CW contest. Perhaps he might be active a few days before and after the contest. QSL via home call.

FT/G GLORIOSO ISL Mark, FH4VVK will be active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL later this year. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. A website is under construction.

FT/X, KERGUELEN It's apparently no secret that Thierry F6CUK of FT8WW fame plans (emphasis on plans) to go with a second operator to the Kerguelen Islands in late 2024. Wait and

see for more..

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19,the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. http://www.to5t.com/

FS, ST MARTIN The next TO9W will take place from November 26 until December 8. The 2023 team includes K9NU, N9EP, FS4WBS, W9AP and K9EL. Operation on all bands and all modes with focus on low bands and CW. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Real-time upload via Club Loq, LoTW or via W9ILY direct. https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Jacky ZL3CW will be operating as FW2CW during November 20-30. It's a CW only operation with focus on the WARC bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

H4, SOLOMON ISL A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. http://www.h44wa.com/

J3, GRENADA A team of Belgian low band DXers with Franky ON7RU, Marc ON4MA, Marc ON6CC, Pascal ONRA, Patrick ON4HIL and Karel ON5TN will be QRV during March 4-16, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. More to follow.

J6, ST LUCIA A team with J68HZ, J69DS, WA4PGM and W0CN will be active as J62K during the CQWW SSB contest (October 28-29). QSL via K9HZ.

J7, DOMINICA Laurent, FM5BH will once again be QRV as J79BH between January 17 and January 24. Activity from 160 to 40 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log. At the same time, David F8AAN will be joining Laurent as J79AN. QSL via Club Log. J8, ST VINCENT Gert, PA2LO will once again be QRV as J8TT between December 26 and January 5. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

PJ4, BONAIRE PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/KU8E, PJ4/N8VW and PJ4/K3MD will be active during November 21-28. An entry in the CQWW CW contest (Nov 25-26) as PJ4A is included. QSL: PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI & PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI. Others via homecalls.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be QRV as PJ7AA between March 2 and March 10, 2024. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS. PJ7, ST MAARTEN Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV in 'holiday-style' between November 20-29 as PJ7EE. Activity on HF primarily on CW using a vertical antenna. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

PYOT, TRINDADE Fabio PY1ZV, Stephano PT2IC and Breto PY6RT will be QRV as PR0Y no later than November 2023. Operation for 3 or 4 days with 2 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. Due to the difficulty in getting to the remote island, as well as the rigorous protocols for authorization of travel there, since the place constitutes an environmental protection area with fairly restricted visits, the activation of the island is a rare event. The last DXpedition to Trindade took place in 2015 (PQ0T). From then on, the island remains devoid of activity. http://www.pr0t.com.br/home/

On the scene... W8S Swains Island top band station



S7, SEYCHELLES A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls. **T8, PALAU** A JA team with JH6WDG (as T88AQ), JA6KYU (as T88HS), JR6DRH (as T88RH) and JA6EGL (as T88SM) will be active from the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror, Palau during January 12-18, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via operators instructions. **T8, PALAU** Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be QRV as T88PB during November 10-13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the JIDX contest is included. QSL via home call.

TJ, CAMEROON The MDXC DXpedition team will be operating as TJ9MD during November 2 and November 15. The 13 skilled operators of the expeditionary team IZ8CCW, IZ2GNQ, F6IRA, OK2WX, AG4W, DL8JJ, IZ4COW, IU3PMA, HB9DHG, HB9TOC, ON7RN, IK5BOH and IZ4UEZ will be QRV round the clock from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. EME will be tried also. More to follow.

TY, BENIN Gerard F5NVF, Abdel 7X2TT and Luc F5RAV will be active as TY5C from Cotonou during March 2024. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. They are looking for support for the local radio club TY0HQ.

V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS Jeff, K1ZN (author of Nifty E-Z Guide to Adventures in DXing) will be active as V4/call during February 25 and March 4. Operation on various bands. QSL via home call.

V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS Bob, WX4G will be active as V47RB between November 20 and December 1. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included as V48A. Operation outside the contest from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log. **V5, NAMIBIA** Gunter DK2WH will be active as V51WH from November 16 until April 2024. QTH near Omaruru. Operation from 160 to 10 meter, 60 also included. During contests look for Gunter as V55Y.

V6, MICRONESIA A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW. **V6, MICRONESIA** Miki, JJ2CJB will be operating as V63CB during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 28-29). QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

On the scene...V73AH



VK9C, COCOS KEELING A team with JA3GEP, JH6RTO, JA1COU and JI1LET will be active as VK9QO between November 3 and November 7. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Sat operation QO-100 and GreenCube. QSL via JI1LET, Sat QSL via JA3GEP.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI (both previously A35V, V6Z, VK9CZ, ZK2V) will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XGM during November 21 to December 5, 2023. Two stations active on SSB/CW. Also one station active on FT8 or FT4. Multi-two entry in the CQWW CW Contest 2023. 'VK9XGM will be running two separate stations. How we divide our

activity between CW, SSB and FT4/8 will depend on a number of factors including conditions, QSO balances and operator fatigue!'

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Thaire, W2APF will once again be active as VP2MDX between January 11 and April 11, 2024. Operation on HF using BuddiPole portable Hexbeam, Doublet for 30M, Endfed for 40M. QSL via home call,LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl sometime June 2024. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.



VP9, BERMUDA Darrell, AB2E will once again be QRV as call/VP9 between February 14-19, 2024. Operation primarily in the ARRL DX CW contest. Before and after that from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

XW, LAOS A French team with F4BKV Vincent, F4HAU Diego, F2DX Patrick, F5PTM Pascal and F8AVK Julien will be operating as XW4DX. Activity between November 16 and November 27 with possible an entry in the CQWW CW contest. QRV on HF except 80 and 30 meter. Focus will be 160 and 40 meter. QSL via F4BKV, bureau or direct, Club Log, LoTW. https://xw4dx.f4bkv.net/

YJ, VANUATU A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15. YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO

ZC4, CYPRUS SBA Dates still to be firmed up, however Martin MW0BRO will be active from Cyprus Sovereign Base Area as ZC4GW next March or April. Martin's main mode of operation is CW. QSL via home call.

ZD7, ST HELENA Chris HB9FIY will once again be active as ZD7CA for a few weeks in December 2023 / January 2024. He asks what are the most wanted bands /modes from ZD7. QSL via EA5GL.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL A team with JF1OCQ, JA1SVP and JE1SYN will be active as ZL7A during November 9-22. Active from 160 to 6 meter + SAT IO-117 (430mHz). Equipment: 3 x transceivers, verticals and dipoles for HF. 4 element beam for 50mHz. Modes: SSB, CW, FT (F/H, MSHV), FM. OSL via JF1OCO (direct).

<u>IOTA</u>

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-107 Samet Isl E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Alex, K6VHF will once again be active as call/HR9 between November 21-28. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW.

OCEANIA

OC-011 Chuuk Isl A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

OC-155 Polap Atoll

OC-299 Satawal Atoll

Cezar, VE3LYC will be active as V62P from Pulap Atoll (OC-155) from November 1 until November 7, and as V62S from Satawal Atoll (OC-299) on November 9-16. Johan, PA3EXX will be the pilot station: Cezar will be unable to check his personal email account, so "those who wish to make a report or inform me of various issues" should send their messages to willemsen[@]multiweb.nl. Donations to help offset the costs of this complex and expensive project are gratefully accepted: https://v6iota.weebly.com/

On the scene...6Y/LU9ESD getting ready as 6Y1V during the CQWW SSB contest



Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

VU, INDIA Look for **AT30IIH** to be active <u>until 31 December</u> to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Indian Institute of Hams, whose focus is to train and bring young people into the amateur radio community (https://www.indianhams.com/). QSL via the bureau or direct, or via eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

THE REMINDERS

- **3A, MONACO** Operators from Monaco will be active with the callsign **3A70ARM** to celebrate the 70th anniversary of their national ham radio organisation <u>during October</u>. QSL via bureau. The recently active callsigns 3A2CB and 3A2LE were both pirates. (TNX DXNL)
- **9A, CROATIA 9A66AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** Radio amateurs from Rostock celebrate the 125th anniversary of the lighthouse Warnemuende with the callsign **DQ125LH** (special DOK 125LH) <u>until the end of October</u>. QSL via bureau, direct, DCL, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)
- **DL, GERMANY** The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)
- **DL, GERMANY** DARC Team SES will be active as **DL110RG** from 1 September to 31 December for the 100th anniversary of the German Life Saving Association (Deutsche Lebens-Rettungs-Gesellschaft, the largest voluntary water rescue organization in the world), and as DL75BRD from 1 September to 30 June 2024 for the 75th anniversary since the Basic Law for the Federal Republic of Germany (Grundgesetz fuer die Bundesrepublik Deutschland) came into effect (23 May 1949). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. (TNX 425DX)
- DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign DB100RDF is in use <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX) EI, IRELAND <u>Between 1 September and 31 August 2024</u> EI4FOTA will be active from all around Ireland including SOTA and POTA locations, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, lighthouses and IOTA islands. Apparently the first operation will be on 17-24 September from the Giant's Causeway which is in Northern Ireland (GI), though; then on 5-15 October from the Blasket Islands (EU-007). (TNX 425DX)
- **F, FRANCE** Once again the Radio Club de Nice will be active as **TM8AB** to commemorate the anniversary of the first transatlantic amateur two-way contact between Leon Deloy, F8AB and Fred Schnell, 1MO (28 November 1923). Look for activity on 80-10 metres SSB, CW, FT8 and SSTV during the weekends between 28 October and 10 December. QSL via F4KJQ. (TNX 425DX)
- **F, FRANCE** The radio club F5KDC celebrates the 400th birthday of Blaise Pascal with the callsign **TM400BPA** between Oct. 6 and 16. QSL via bureau or direct. (TNX DXNL)
- **F, FRANCE** Special callsigns to be active at various times during the 2023 Rugby World Cup hosted by France <u>from 8 September to 28 October</u> include **TM23RBY** (QSL via F8EFU and LoTW), **TM23RUGB** (QSL via F5KHG), and **TM63RWC** (QSL via F4KLW). (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** Members of ARI Pordenone and ARI Belluno will be active as **II3RDV** on 1-31 October. The special callsign memorializes the 60th anniversary of the Vajont Dam disaster (9 October 1963, when a massive landslide plunged into the reservoir, causing a 250-metre high megatsunami that killed some 2000 people). QSL via IV3EHH. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** Celebrating the centenary of the National Park of Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise, special callsign **II6PN** will be in use <u>between 1 August and 31 October</u>, with main activity expected to take place on 1-17 September. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via IK6IHU. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:
- October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931) November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)
- <u>December</u>: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931) For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available.(TNX DXNL)
- LA, NORWAY LA100K is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate

- the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX) **LX, LUXEMBOURG LX90RTL** is a special callsign celebrating the 90th anniversary since Radio Luxembourg made its first long wave broadcast. It will be used by various LX operators from 1 July <u>until the end of the year</u>. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via satellite. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; the logs will be uploaded to Club Loq, LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. (TNX 425DX)
- **LX, LUXEMBOURG** Look for **LX9S** during the 66th JOTA on October 20-22. For the 6th time HB9S will be active from the World Scout Bureau Global Support Centre in Luxembourg. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi by a large scout team. QSL via LoTW or bureau. https://www.grz.com/db/LX9S
- **LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns <u>during 2023</u> to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ288MS** (October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at https://www.lz1kcp.com/. (TNX 425DX)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE40XTU** is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM** The ONZ Oostkust Radioclub (ON6HC) will be active on all bands and modes as **OR79CLM** between 13 October and 12 November, with main operations taking place on 3-5 November. The special callsign's suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the Belgian town of Knokke on 1 November 1944. QSL via the bureau. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM OQ95RCL** is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713 (TNX 425DX)
- **OZ, DENMARK** FRA and EDR are celebrating the 18th birthday of HRH Prince Christian on 15 October 2023. On this occasion, there will be activity with three SES one from each of the three countries in the Kingdom of Denmark; **OX18CHR OY18CHR OZ18CHR**. The activity takes place from October 9 at 00:00 UTC to October 15 at 23:59 UTC on all amateur radio bands. There will be diplomas and plaques for the most active hunters. Special QSL card may be requested via Clublog OQRS to be sent via bureau or direct.
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85th anniversary with the callsign PA85TP <u>during 2023</u> and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (<u>pd5enj@msn.com</u>). (TNX DXNL) **SM, SWEDEN 8S80AA** is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary <u>throughout 2023</u>. More information can be found on https://www.sk5aa.se/. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)
- **TA, TURKEY** Celebrating the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100, TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)
- **VK, AUSTRALIA** Operated by a number of YL operators in Tasmania (VK7) and around the rest of Australia, special callsign **VI7ALARA** is active on the HF bands <u>until 8 November</u> to mark the Australian Ladies Amateur Radio Association's meet (http://www.alara.org.au/) to be held in Hobart. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)
- **VK, AUSTRALIA VK100ZL** celebrates the first trans-Tasmanian radio contact between New Zealand and Australia in 1923. QRV <u>until the end of 2023</u>.
- **VK, AUSTRALIA VI100MB** is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until <u>25 February 2024</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)
- **VK, AUSTRALIA** "Amateur Radio", the official journal of the Wireless Institute of Australia, will reach 90 years of continuous publication in October. To mark this milestone, the WIA has obtained the special event call sign **VK90AR** for use <u>until 31 December</u> by any member of the WIA as well as any affiliated club. QSL via LoTW and M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)
- VK, AUSTRALIA VI75G is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)
- VK, AUSTRALIA VI10VKFF is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (https://www.wwffaustralia.com/). It will be used from Australian Parks until end 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau).

(TNX 425DX)

https://hamradio.co.nz/award/

XE, MEXICO 6E0G is a special event callsign that puts Ghost Towns on the Air <u>until Dec. 17</u>. QSL via XE1EE, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

W, USA Special event stations NOF, N1F, N2F, N3F, N4F, N5F, N6F, N7F, N8F and N9F, plus KF2IRE and VA3FIRE (Canada) will be active on 8-14 October for the Fire Prevention Week 2022. QSL cards for any of the FPW stations should be sent direct to Fire Prevention Week Special Event, c/o Siemens Fire Safety USA, 2 Gatehall Drive, Parsippany NJ 07054, USA YU, SERBIA The Serbian Amateur Radio Union in the Vojvodina celebrates its 75th anniversary with the callsign YU75SRV throughout 2023. QSL via Club Log, eQSL, qrz.com. ZL, NEW ZEALAND Active from 1 October to 31 May 2024, ZL6WG is a special event callsign promoting the 98th NZART annual conference that will be held in Christchurch on 1-2 June next year. QSL via LoTW; paper cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)